

IN THE CLAIMS:

1 - 5. (Withdrawn, Currently Canceled)

6 - 24. (Previously Canceled)

25 - 31. (Withdrawn, Currently Canceled)

32. (Currently Amended) A diagnostic method using fecal chymotrypsin as a biological marker for determining if a person has, or can develop, a PDD (pervasive development disorder); the biological marker comprising a compound in a stool sample of the individual.

33. (Currently Canceled)

34. (Currently Amended) A diagnostic method using a stool compound as a The biological marker of claim 32 for determining if a person has a PDD (pervasive development disorder), wherein the stool compound comprises an indicator of insufficient protein digestion.

35. (Currently Amended) A diagnostic method using a stool compound as a The biological marker of claim 32 for determining if a person has a PDD (pervasive development disorder), wherein the stool compound comprises an indicator of pancreatic dysfunction.

36. (Currently Amended) The method ~~biological marker~~ of claim 32, wherein the PDD comprises Autism.

37. (Currently Canceled)

38. (Currently Canceled)

39 - 45. (Withdrawn, Currently Canceled)

46. (New) The method of claim 34, wherein the PDD comprises Autism.

47. (New) The method of claim 35, wherein the PDD comprises Autism.